

**MARINE CORPS EMERGENCY ACTIONS CENTER**  
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## SUMMARY OF ITEMS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

PERIOD 080701 - 090700 NOVEMBER 1962

1. CARIBBEAN

8/1 a. CINCLANT SITREP AS OF 082400Z REPORTED RUSSIAN SHIPS DEPARTING CUBAN PORTS ARE APPARENTLY MAKING NO EFFORT TO PASS THROUGH RENDEZVOUS POINTS ESTABLISHED FOR CONTACT BETWEEN SHIPS. ALSO REPORTED:

a. (1) USS POCONO IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE NORFOLK, 111400Z.

b. (2) 5TH MEB HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO THE LANDING FORCE (11 MEF), OPLAN 316-62.

c. (3) 1ST ARMORED DIVISION ELEMENTS ARE SCHEDULED TO CONDUCT AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING AT PORTEVERGLADES THE WEEK OF 12 NOVEMBER.

CINCLANT 090116Z (TS)

8/2 b. CSAF HAS ADVISED CINCLANT THAT THERE ARE NO USAF ALL WEATHER RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN EXCESS OF THOSE ALREADY COMMITTED TO THE UNIFIED COMMANDS.

no (EAC NOTE: CINCLANT HAD REQUESTED USAF TO PROVIDE 4 FIGHTER AIRCRAFT WITH NIGHT INTERCEPT CAPABILITY FOR PUERTO

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RICO FOR THE DURATION OF THE CUBA CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS.)

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CSAF 082155Z (S)  
CINCLANT 071942Z (S)

c. COMNAVBASE GTMO HAS SUBMITTED A TROOP LIST OF GTMO GROUND FORCES AS OF 1 NOVEMBER. GRAND TOTAL OF ALL MARINE CORPS GROUND FORCES IS 236 OFFICERS AND 4640 ENLISTED. COMPONENT UNIT TOTALS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

	OFF	ENL
BLT 2/1	57	1464
BLT 1/8	40	983
BLT 2/2	54	1478
PROV ARTY GROUP	23	338
LOG SUP GROUP	5	87
HQ GRND FORCES W/SUPPORTING DETACHMENTS	57	290

*lots missing here they only want from 24 from West*

COMNAVBASE GTMO 011739Z (S)

d. COMNAVBASE GUANTANAMO REPORTS THAT AT APPROXIMATELY 061030R TWO MARINE SENTRIES ACCIDENTLY RAN A PICK-UP TRUCK THROUGH THE FENCE, ABOUT 20 FEET INTO CUBAN TERRITORY.

A GOVERNMENT OF CUBA SENTRY ASSISTED THE MARINE SENTRIES FROM THE OVERTURNED VEHICLE AND BACK INTO THE NAVAL BASE.

THE VEHICLE WAS RECOVERED WITH A CRANE OPERATING FROM WITHIN THE BASE.

CTG 84.9 062325Z (C)

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e. CINCAFLANT HAS ADVISED CINCLANT OF THE STEPS HE HAS TAKEN TO MAINTAIN THE PRESENT ALERT POSTURE FOR A PROLONGED PERIOD OF TIME WHILE MAINTAINING PILOT PROFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.

2. THE STRIKE FORCE HAS BEEN REORGANIZED SO AS TO INSURE QUICK REACTION STRIKES AGAINST PRIMARY COUNTER-AIR TARGETS AND YET PERMIT A DEGREE OF RELAXATION. THIS POSTURE CAN BE MAINTAINED FOR AN ESTIMATED TWO MORE WEEKS WITHOUT SERIOUS DEGRADATION OF STRIKE FORCE CAPABILITIES.

CINCAFLANT 081752Z (TS)

2. ASIA

a. CINCPAC HAS RECOMMENDED TO JCS A COURSE OF ACTION RELATIVE TO THE INDIA-RED CHINA MILITARY CONFLICT.

CINCPAC RECOMMENDED THAT A SNOWY VERSION OF SOUTH VIETNAM IN REVERSE COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH TIBETAN GUERRILLA REMNANTS IMPEDING THE RED CHINESE MILITARY EFFORT AND, ON THE POLITICAL FRONT, THE DALAI LAMA, REAL AND SYMBOLIC LEADER OF TIBET, SHOULD BE GIVEN ENCOURAGEMENT.

CINCPAC 080415Z (S)

3. MARINE CORPS

a. IN A MESSAGE TO CNO, CINCLANTFLT RECOMMENDS THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AWARD FOR ELEVEN (11) NAVY AND MARINE CORPS PILOTS WHO EXECUTED "BLUE MOON" FLIGHTS DURING THE PERIOD 25-26 OCTOBER AND ON 5 NOVEMBER. FIVE (5) MARINE CORPS PILOTS ARE AMONG THOSE RECOMMENDED FOR THE AWARD.

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**UNCLASSIFIED**CINCLANTFLT 291930Z (C)  
CINCLANTFLT 072234Z (C)4. MOVEMENT

314 a. USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) WITH BLT 3/1, HMM-361 AND VMO-6  
SUB UNIT 1 ABOARD DEPARTED CRISTOBAL, PANAMA 080500Z AND WILL  
RENDEZVOUS WITH PHIBGRU-3 (5TH MEB) 081230Z.

5. DEFCONS

a. NO CHANGE.

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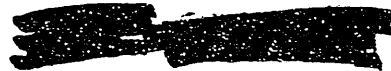
6. SELECTED ITEMS FROM DIA BULLETIN OF 8 NOVEMBERa. CUBA

315 IN CUBA, THE ARTEMISA MILITARY CAMP 35 MILES SW OF  
HAVANA IS THE SUSPECTED LOCATION OF ONE OF THE FOUR WELL-EQUIPPED  
SOVIET ARMORED BATTALIONS BELIEVED TO BE ON THE ISLAND. MILITARY  
EQUIPMENT IDENTIFIED AT ARTEMISA INCLUDES: 5 PROBABLE FROG (FREE  
ROCKET OVER GROUND) ROCKET TRANSPORTERS AND 2 PROBABLE FROG  
LAUNCHERS, 28 EIGHT-WHEELED ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS, 30 T-54  
MEDIUM TANKS, AND 9 SU-100 SELF-PROPELLED ASSAULT GUNS.

ANOTHER OF THESE SOVIET ARMORED BATTALIONS IS LOCATED  
NEAR SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS, APPROXIMATELY 20 MILES SOUTH OF  
HAVANA. 39 T-54 TANKS AND OTHER ARMORED VEHICLES WERE IDENTIFIED  
AT THIS LOCATION AS OF 6 NOVEMBER.

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CURRENT MARINE CORPS DEPLOYMENTS

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LANDING GROUP WEST

MGEN WIESEMAN CG 2D MarDiv aboard MT McKINLEY - MAYPORT  
BGEN TOMPKINS ADC 2D MarDiv aboard FRANCIS MARION - MAYPORT

BLT 2/6	Aboard PHIBRON-6	MCREHEAD CITY
BLT 3/6	Aboard PHIBRON-8	CHARLESTON
BLT 2/8	Aboard PHIBRON-2	MAYPORT
BLT 3/8	Aboard PHIBRON-10	MAYPORT
BLT 3/2	Aboard PHIBRON-12	MAYPORT
BLT 1/6	Aboard OKINAWA (LPH-3)	150 miles NE NASSAU

LANDING GROUP WEST AVIATION

BGEN COURSEY AWC 2D MAW aboard MT McKINLEY - MAYPORT

PROV MAG-26

HMM-264	Aboard OKINAWA (LPH-3)	150 miles NE NASSAU
HMM-461	Aboard OKINAWA (LPH-3)	150 miles NE NASSAU
Det VMO-1	Aboard OKINAWA (LPH-3)	150 miles NE NASSAU
HMM-261	Aboard THETIS BAY (LPH-6)	150 miles NE NASSAU
HMM-263	Aboard BOXER (LPH-4)	MAYPORT

MAG-14 KEY WEST (Presently under OPCON CINCAFLANT and 831st AIR DIVISION)

VMA-242  
VMA-533  
VMA-324  
VMF(AW)-122  
Det VM CJ-2

Det VM CJ-2 CECIL FIELD, JACKSONVILLE - OPCON COMNAVAIRLANT

3D LAAM BN (-) MCAS CHERRY POINT

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GUANTANAMC

BGEN COLLINS

CTU 84.9.1

LEEWARD SIDE

BLT 2/2  
Hq MAG-32  
Det VMA-331  
Det H&MS-26  
Det VMF-333

WINDWARD SIDE

BLT 2/1  
"C" Btry 3d LAAM Bn  
BLT 1/8

VMA-225

Aboard USS ENTERPRISE 65 miles NW JAMAICA

ROOSEVELT ROAD, P. R.

Det HQ MAG-32  
VMA-331 (-)  
VMF-333 (-)

5TH MEB

Aboard PHIBGRU-3 departed COLON 1500R, 7 November  
enroute to posit 100 miles South of JAMAICA

BGEN FAIRBOURN

BLT 1/1  
BLT 3/1  
BLT 1/7  
BLT 3/7

HMM-361  
Det VMO-6

Aboard IWC JIMA (LPH-2)  
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VMA-121 )  
VMA-223 )

Squadrons chopped in place on West Coast to  
CINCLANTFLT and CG FMFLANT for possible move  
to LANTCOM.

LANFORMED 3-62

LTCOL GRAHAM

BLT 1/2

Aboard PHIBRON-4 in MEDITERRANEAN

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